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Dear Colleagues:

Attached is an electronic version of the Chaplain Corps Strategic Plan. Please assist me by ensuring that your Commanding Officer, the chaplains and Religious Program Specialists under your care and supervision, and other key leaders with whom you have the privilege to serve, receive a copy.

Your work in developing the Priorities and Initiatives has been an incredible blessing. I take great pleasure in joining the Navy's senior leaders in commending you for formulating plans to touch more lives for God's glory. Although the Strategic Plan contains challenging tasks, I believe God's hand is with us.

On Friday, 14 September 2001, Lead Agents have graciously agreed to assemble in Washington, D.C., to receive Implementation Phase Training from Dr. Archester Houston, Ph.D., our strategic planning consultant. In preparation for this training, you'll receive more information from the Plans and Operations staff.

Additionally, I'm pleased to inform you that Dr. Houston will become a full-time member of my staff in October. This will enable him to provide technical guidance to your team as you develop action plans and religious ministry performance metrics.

These are exciting times in the life and history of the Navy Chaplain Corps. Join me in praying that God will use the Strategic Plan to expand access to religious ministry support. Let those devoted to God and Country unite to deliver innovative, life-transforming service throughout and beyond the Sea Services.

Shalom,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Barry C. Black".

BARRY C. BLACK
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